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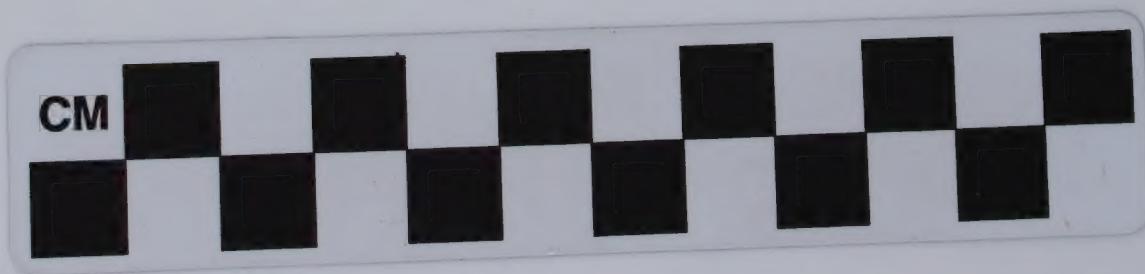
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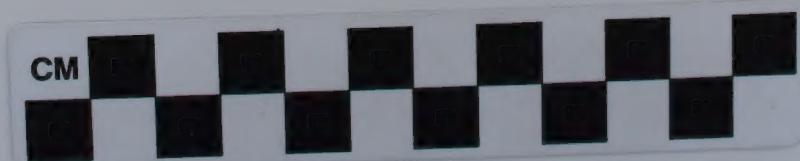


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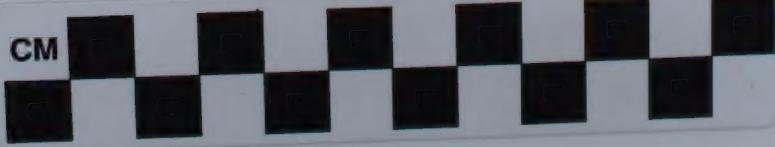
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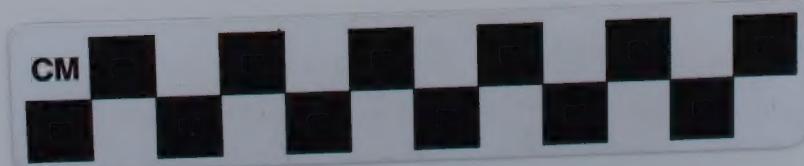
Dear Sister.



have² been married.
I started on my vacation the 15th
& the same day Chas. & I went to Berlin
Center by way of Warren & stopped at
Aunt & Variett's both going & coming
for a few hours & found them all well
there. At Berlin, Aunt Sadie & Uncle
James their health is very poor.
& I never seen such a change in
men as I did on Uncle James,
Abe, Chester Bedell, & Uncle Shofner.
He is 99 $\frac{1}{2}$ years old & he does look
remarkably well & walks around
quite spry with two sticks &
still smokes his pipe, & they are
building a big bank barn,
we had dinner there & a nice little
visit of 2 or 3 hours & heard lots of
news every place we went.
From there we went to our old
home & looked the place over
quite thoroughly the old place
looks very much on the bum.



From there we went over to the
Benton Country to see Frank Lew,
gravel it is all grown up with



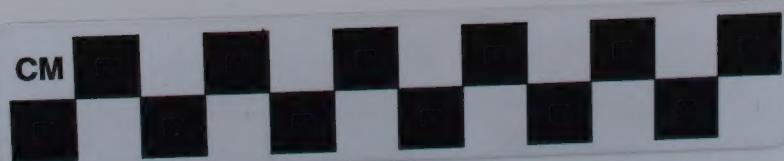
weeds & while there I run across a
little old man with a sprinkling can
in his hand & he commenced talking to me before
I got near him, about his flowers & when I
got up to him who was it but Mr Mead-
ow that used to live east of Benton when
Chet Hartzell now lives & I asked him
what he was doing there & he com-
menced to cry & told me that he buried
his wife 5 wks ago & now is living
with his son Johnie who married
Gertie Dantes & is living on Gertie's
old farm. He feels terrible over the loss
of his wife. From there we
went over to the old Hartzell
Cemetery & seen lots of new graves
there. & then we went to Sam Bedells
& had a fine supper & a little visit
with them, you know they lost their
Daughter Gertie but have her little
Daughter to raise she is I think 5
& a nice child, & they couldnt do
enough for us & never was used
better in my life they all in-
volved after you & everybody & wanted

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to be remembered to your &c.
& then we stoped at Uncle Chester
for a little while & he & Aunt was
awfully glad to see us. but their
health is very poor, he had a
stroke of Paralysis several years
ago & is very feeble & shows his
age very much. the poor old
man cried like a child while
talking to me & didn't know me
for quite a while. he took his
can & ^{with} Aunt walked out to see
us off again. he has 25⁰⁰

Acres of land now & James
is the only one single. That
night we stayed at Uncle James
all night as I had his horse &
buggy & was late getting back
from our long drive & all them
stops in one day. the rest of the
time we stayed at Aunt Mary's
although we were gone only
4 days. Elias & little girls was

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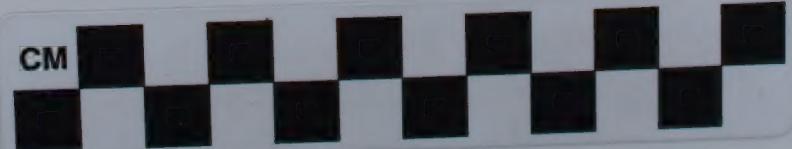


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there to, the first time I ever seen them
& they are nice children, they went home
the same day we did to their other
Grandma.

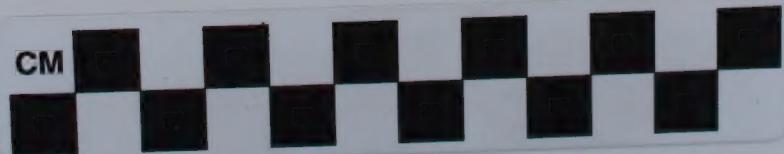
On the Sunday the 18 that we were
there we went to Ella Mocks as
they was at us to be sure & come &
see them before we left so that
afternoon we spent there & had a
fine time & also supper. Frank
Hartzell came along & jumped over
the fence & we all had a nice visit
under the big Elm tree, & while
we were talking Wilber Galbreath
wife & Daughter came along & he &
I had quite a little talk & over
the fence, & he inquired in particular
all about you & wanted to know
what your "hubby" does &c. & said
he would like to see you & hoped
you are doing well. He wanted
us to go out & have supper with

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them but I told him we promised Cousin
Ella to stay there for supper so my visit
with Wilber was rather short. Frank
Hartzell stayed & we all Cousins had a fine
supper & visit together. Edith I could go on
& write pages of stuff that would interest
you but I am a poor writer & composer
so probably it wouldn't be so interest-
ing to you after all, even if I did write
it. Well the next day Monday, we came
back home & on the following Friday
the 28th we had a little Daughter
born to us at 5:30 P.M. we never before
appreciated what a good Dr. was, we
had Dr. Gifford & after he got here
I guess it wasn't more than 2½ hours
until it was all over & every thing
in fine shape before the Boys & ~~Mary~~
Mary got home from work. Today
the Baby is 5 days old & both are doing
fine. Tomorrow I go back from my
vacation, but it is my regular day
off so I will get one day more.

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we get every 4th day off now instead
of every 5th day as we used to & it is
quite a difference.

You asked me how much you still owe me,
The first amount was \$80.00 & you have
paid me \$55.00 so you still owe me \$25.00

Well I guess I will close this & get it off
in the mail tonight, it is now 4:30 PM
& I started to write it yesterday so I
changed the date of it for today.
So please don't be so long as
before in writing.

Love to all from all
as ever your Bro,
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